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SUBJECT: COLONEL MORGAN'S RELEASE

FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON COLONEL MORGAN'S RELEASE WAS MADE BY

DEPARTMENT AT 12:20 EDT JULY 12: QUOTE: THE DEPARTMENT

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OF STATE, ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES

GOVERNMENT, IS DELIGHTED THAT COLONEL MORGAN HAS BEEN RELEASED UNHARMED. HE WILL SHORTLY BE ABLE TO REJOIN HIS FAMILY, WHOSE ORDEAL THROUGHOUT THE TWO WEEKS OF HIS CAPTIVITY WAS EXCEEDED ONLY BY THAT OF COLONEL MORGAN HIMSELF.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON FOR ITS PERSISTENT, RESOURCEFUL AND EVENTUALLY SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO SECURE THE SAFE RELEASE OF COLONEL MORGAN. WITHOUT THESE EFFORTS THIS MIGHT BE A DAY OF TRAGEDY INSTEAD OF JOY.

COLONEL MORGAN'S RELEASE WAS SECURED WITHOUT CONCESSIONS OF ANY KIND BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO THE DEMANDS OF HIS ABDUCTORS, CONSISTENT WITH OUR FIRM POLICY NOT TO ACCEDE TO TERRORIST RANSOM DEMANDS OR POLITICAL BLACKMAIL. END OF QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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